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JAMES D. LYLE, et al.

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SENDING AUXILIARY DATA ON A

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Replace the text at page 45, lines 16-18, with the following new text:

--detection (as described in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/905,615, filed on July 13, 2001, and assigned to the assignee of the present invention). Since one does not need to check the--

Respectfully submitted,

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